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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of:       | ) |                        |
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| Takashi KOKUBO              | ) | Group Art Unit: 2132   |
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| Application No.: 10/673,245 | ) | Examiner: Thomas PEESO |
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| Filed: September 30, 2003   | ) | Confirmation No.: 5395 |
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| For: NETWORK RELAY DEVICE,  | ) |                        |
| COMMUNICATION DEVICE AND    | ) |                        |
| NETWORK RELAY METHOD        | ) |                        |

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed December 5, 2006, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment sections of this paper.